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## SHIPPING:

ARRIVALS.

December 2, GRANIXON, British str., 1,395.

R. A. DODDINGTON, London 15th October,

and Singapore 23rd November, General.

JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

December 2, AMY, British str., 814, Diewes,

Canton at Dacca, General. STEMS-

SEN & CO.

December 2, E. M. YOUNG, Brit. str., 345.

R. H. MACKINNON, Newcastle, N.S.W. 16th

Oct., Coal—ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

December 2, ABERDONIAN, British str., 430.

W. L. MITCHELL, AMY 20th November,

BEANS—CAITLIN.

December 2, KESTREL, British gunboat, Com-

mander W. M. Lang, Singapore 6th

November, and Manila 27th.

CLARANCES.

At the Handover Master's Office:

DECEMBER.

GEOLOGIC, British steamer, for Singapore, &

Venezuela, Austrian steamer, for Singapore.

AMY, British steamer, for Shanghai.

WELL, German steamer, for Hoochow.

GENE BRAVE, German bark, for Singapore.

OCEAN, British steamer, for Port Darwin.

DRPAINTURES.

December 2, DIAMANTE, British steamer, for

Manila.

December 2, MAJACOA, British steamer, for

Yokohama.

December 2, YOUTUNG, British steamer, for

Swallow.

December 2, ANNA BERTHA, German bark,

for Chefoo.

December 2, CHAMOISHIRE, British

bark, for Shanghai.

December 2, DR. PETERMAN, German bark,

for Cebu.

December 2, FRANCIA, German schooner,

for Jaffa.

December 2, UNICA, German 3-m. schooner,

for Bangkok.

December 2, VONWEILERS, Austrian steamer,

for Singapore.

PASSENGERS:

ARRIVED.

Per Glenlyn, str. from London, &c.—Miss

J. Williams for Hongkong. For Shingal.

Mr. J. G. Baynes, and 372 Chinese.

Per Aberdonian, from Amy—Messrs. W.

Trimmer, Frits Irtouro, and A. Petersen, and 4

Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Diamond, str. for Manila—8 European

and 250 Chinese.

Per Anna Bertha, for Chefoo—1 Chinese.

Per Vorwarts, str. for Singapore—4 Euro-

peans and 266 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Glenlyn, str. for Singapore—33 Chinese.

Per Amy, str. for Shanghai—18 Chinese.

Per Well, str. for Hoochow—10 Chinese.

Per Genevieve, for Singapore—2 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamer *Glenlyn* reports left

London on the 15th October, and Singapore on

Tuesday, the 23rd November, and had very rough

wave, after rounding Hongkong Light had

very heavy head sea, and within the last day

(last instant) had very heavy sea and a gale of

wind all the way, ship pitching and rolling

heavily.

The British bark *E. R. Young* reports left

Newcastle, N.S.W., on the 16th October, and

had strong N.E. and North winds for the first

six days, then S.E. winds and the wave to the

North east of New Caledonia, made her to the

Equator in long. 162° E. on the 5th November, had mod-

erate gale to the Basso Islands, which were

passed on the 29th, and had fresh breeze to

port.

SINGAPORE—SHIPPING.

November—ARRIVAL.

19, Clester, British steamer, from Labuan.

19, Bentan, British steamer, from Samarang.

19, Date, British steamer, from Bangkok.

19, Royal, Italian steamer, from Bangkok.

20, Amoy, British steamer, from Fungkong.

20, Marquet, Spanish str., from Liverpool.

21, Shawan, British steamer, from Amoy.

21, Sindoro, Dutch steamer, from Batavia.

21, Glensay, British steamer, from London.

21, Patou, Dutch steamer, from Palembang.

21, Bruno, Dutch steamer, from Batavia.

22, Sing Li, British steamer, from Fungkong.

22, Tai Po, British steamer, from Calcutta.

22, Amaret, French steamer, from Saigon.

22, Ambina, Dutch steamer, from Padang.

22, Chindwara, British str., from Calcutta.

November—DEPARTURES.

19, Caribou, British str., for Hongkong.

19, Japan, British steamer, for Malacca.

19, Ann, British str., for Singapore.

19, Louis III, British steamer, for Malacca.

19, Bangkok, Siamese steamer, for Bangkok.

19, G. van Bylandt, Dutch str., for Batavia.

20, Bentan, British str., for Bangkok.

20, Bentan, British str., for Chefoo.

20, Bruno, Dutch steamer, for Amoy.

20, Dececa, German steamer, for Fungkong.

20, Roma, Italian steamer, for Marseilles.

20, Putjikam, British steamer, for Malacca.

20, Orestes, British steamer, for Bombay.

VEHICLES ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA.

Per our Mail's Advice.

Marionethorpe, Sept. 11.

Campbell, Sept. 11.

Admiral (1), Sept. 11.

Glenlyon (1), Sept. 11.

Martin King, Sept. 11.

Guy Manufacturing (1), Sept. 11.

Queen of the Seas, Sept. 11.

Navigator, Sept. 11.

Cardiganshire, Sept. 11.

Ulysses (1), Sept. 11.

Cygnus (1), Sept. 11.

Kemure Castle (1), Sept. 11.

Ferdinand (1), Sept. 11.

Malaya (1), Sept. 11.

Ledger (1), Sept. 11.

Maria Magdalene (1), Sept. 11.

Glenlyon (2), Sept. 11.

Glory (1), Sept. 11.

Wamys Castle (1), Sept. 11.

Prism (1), Sept. 11.

Coryphae (1), Sept. 11.

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## NOTICE.

THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY  
FOR CHINA, JAPAN, &c., &c.  
For 1881.  
(With which has been incorporated "The  
CHINA DIRECTORY".)

This work is now being prepared for publication. Additions and improvements are being made to render it more valuable as a Commercial Guide.

These firms who have not yet returned the Printed Forms which have been sent to them to fill up would oblige by doing so as early as possible.

The PUBLISHER would be glad if New Comers, or those to whom Printed Forms have not been forwarded, would send in their names and addresses.

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## The Daily Press.

HONG-KONG, DECEMBER 3RD, 1880.

So much has been written about the evil effects of opium smoking that it is only right, on the *anti-interior parties* principle, that any testimony in favour of the habit should be given due publicity. In Formosa, the consumption of the drug is very large indeed, relatively to the population. In 1879 there was an increase in the imports at Tamsui of 215 piculs over that of the preceding year, and there was no re-export. At Tamsui the quantity of the drug imported also exceeded that of any previous year by 219 piculs. Mr. F. A. Moran, Assistant in Charge of the Customs at Tamsui, in his report on the trade of the port for last year, says:—"Opium smoking is so prevalent in this part of Formosa that a very much larger development of the trade cannot reasonably be expected, unless the population increases rapidly or extensive immigration occurs. As far as I can judge from the few observations I have been able to make, the rate of consumption per head of the population must stand very high; and it is not surprising that such should be the case when one considers both the slight amount of alienation taken by the ordinary Chinese labourer here, and the absence of nearly all other forms of relaxation. A craving for stimulants and restorative—the natural result of the hard work, comfortable dwellings, and general life of the ordinary Chinaman, and opium is the form in which they are most readily obtainable." In Formosa, if anything, it would be thought, the alleged baneful effects of the habit would be most conspicuously apparent, yet we find Mr. Moran recording the following opinion as the result of his experience in a district where the drug is so extensively patronised:—"I am not," says that gentleman, "one of those who consider opium to be an unmitigated evil in China, and one to be swept away by legislation. You can no more make a man an abstainer from opium by legislation than you can make him sober by the same means; and I am of opinion that, used in moderation, the drug does not necessarily lead to health, especially where the smoker is a man subject to exhausting toil, wet or cold; but I believe that a mitigation of the abuse of the drug would be found in more generous food, more comfortable dwellings, other means of recreation, and a better condition of life generally." This is the testimony of a perfectly impartial witness, and it might, we are confident, be supplemented and confirmed by scores of others who have had equal opportunities of judging. The real truth of the matter is that opium smoking is only injurious where the smoker denies himself the proper supply of food in order to secure the enjoyment of the pipe; just as in the case of the drunkard, the stimulant cannot supply the nourishment food would give, and its victory thus becomes a victim to his own weakness and folly. Of the two, however, opium is less harmful than alcohol, and certainly produces less misery and infinitely less crime. If half the zeal were only expended upon the drink question in the great cities of the United Kingdom by the Anglo-Chinese Society that they waste in attempts to meddle with the opium-trade, much real good might be effected. Chinese visiting England and witnessing the disgraceful scenes that nightly occur around the gin-palaces in London, or reading the statistics of crimes committed under the influence of drink, might well ask the Anti-Opium agitators to pull the beam out of their eyes before seeking to extract the opium mote from Chinese optics. Charity, however, does not always begin at home, and nowhere is this more signalized than in the United Kingdom. While there are tens of thousands

of children in the towns and cities there growing up in worse than heathenism, the Missionary Societies are sending out, at great expense, preachers and teachers to the remotest corners of the earth to propagate the doctrines of Christianity; and similarly while there are legions of their fellow countrymen enslaved by a more hateful vice, the Anti-Opium Society devote all their energies in endeavouring to demonstrate that India ought not to supply an article of luxury to China because its use is sometimes abused. The Anglo-Saxon drinker is no doubt a less interesting individual than the Chinese opium-smoker, because he is better known, and familiarity with the latter would surely dissipate much of the sympathy which has been wasted upon him.

A mail for Bangkok leaves at Singapore at 2 p.m., to-morrow, the 4th instant.

The Victoria Regatta will be held on Friday and Saturday, the 17th and 18th instant.

The gunboat *Rostrel*, Commander W. M. Hayler, arrived here yesterday from Singapore, on 21st October.

Mr. Hayler, Q.C., goes up to Shanghai next week to conduct the cause of the Chinese of the *Ban Hin* line of steamers against Mr. Giles, the Astorine Consul at Amoy. Mr. Giles sometime ago paid into Court the \$5,000 sought to be recovered as the amount of fine illegally inflicted by the plaintiffs going on damages.

An entertainment will take place at the Temperance Hall this evening, commencing at 8.30 p.m. The following is the programme—Pianoforte Duet, from *Dishelli*; Song, *The Queen of Love's Recitation*; *Abraham*; Song, "I love my love"; Song, Piano solo, from Chopin; Recitation, *Song (unintelligible)*; *Sister, Just the Picture*; Reading, Song, "Good news from the Orient"; Song, "Silver Bell of Memory."

The steamer *Boundary* says the *Dragon Times* of the 12th November, "left on the morning of the 11th inst., with nearly 37,000 bags, or about 3,000 tons, of white rice, for Java and Singapore. This is one of the largest cargoes that have left this port. The *Chadwicks*, another large steamer, which is now discharging her import cargo, is also to load with rice for the same place. This unexpected demand for rice has given some of the mills full work at unusual seas in the year, and there is from what we hear, a great demand continuing for some time longer."

There is no prospect of Signora Carlotta Patti visiting Hongkong, for the present at all events, as will appear from the following paragraph cut from the *Streets Times* of the 2nd ultimo:—Signora Carlotta Patti, accompanied by Messrs. E. de Musset and Signor Campi, arrived at Batavia yesterday by the *L. S. C.*'s steamer *Bramo* en route to Calcutta, for which port she leaves by the *B. S. N. C.*'s steamer *Chindwara*. She will give a Grand Concert in the *Twee Hui* Hall Wednesday night under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Weld. Signora Patti, we are informed, received a perfect ovation from the Batavian public, and the opening concert there was given under the special patronage of the Governor-General. At the conclusion of the first concert the people were so enthusiastic that the second and third concerts were sold out. The audience went in a torchlight procession to the Hotel des Nederlanden, where the fair cantatrice was staying, and serenaded her with the military band, and music, bouquets, speeches and champagne was the order of the evening. The same enthusiasm was displayed at the conclusion of the second and third concerts. The Theatrical Administration of Batavia further showed its appreciation of the Signora's talent by accompanying her on board of the *Bromo* with music. During the Signora's stay at Batavia she was always invited to go to coffee-halls, dinners, &c. On the morning of the 14th ult. was specially invited by the Governor-General to a matinée at the vice-regal palace at Batavia.

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## THE PROSECUTIONS IN IRELAND.

correspondent, Terence McGrath, sends *St. James's Gazette* some noteworthy observations on this subject:—“A part from personal knowledge, the result of which no one in Ireland could be said to control, Mr. Parnell or his colleagues, or his days, no matter how conclusive the evidence, it is very difficult to give the very words uttered by any person. Government may send a skilled reporter to cover the exact words, and if he is perfect in shorthand writer he may do so. But at present there are reporters present for the paper or from Dublin, whose notes, it may be predicted, will not correspond literally with the exact words. In this case, however, the relative estimation, there could be no lack of knowing which reporter was most impartial, trustworthy, and, in moral certainty, his evidence would break down on that point. It is, therefore, not to be expected that a nation could have any other effect than to stir the spirit in Ireland. But Mr. Parnell's letter may foreshadow the course the Government mean to adopt, and supply a lead for Mr. Forster's views. The Liberator is right in saying that the English Government may say Government might forbear from resort to exceptional legislation until the resources have been tried of those constitutional powers which are the government of Great Britain.”

But, even if this be so, the time will then look for the promised prosecutions, at any hope of success, but to exhaust the national resources before proceeding to a total suspension of the Habemus Corpus, for England until the resources have been tried of those constitutional powers which are the government of Great Britain.”

“SALES REPORTED BY CHINESE.

White Wax—3 pieces, at \$92.00, by Kwong Wo Cheung to local trader.

Melon Seeds—4 bags, at \$5.40, by Kwong Wo Cheung to local trader.

Yellow Peas—3,000 pieces, at \$2.15, by Kwong Wo Cheung to local trader.

Dried Lily Flowers—10 bags, at \$5.90, by Kwong Wo Cheung to travelling trader.

Japan Dried Prawns—3 cans, at \$16.50, by Kwong Wo Cheung to travelling trader.

Vermicilli—30 bags, at \$6.55, by Kwong Wo Cheung to local trader.

## HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

From Messrs. FALCONER & Co's Weather.

December 1st.

Banometer—9 A.M. 30.0000. 10.0000.

Banometer—P.M. 30.0200. 10.0200.

Thermometer—9 A.M. 70.

Thermometer—1 P.M. 70.

Thermometer—9 A.M. 68.

Thermometer—1 P.M. 68.

Hygrometer—9 A.M. 55.

Hygrometer—1 P.M. 55.

Thermometer—Maximum 72.

Thermometer—Minimum (over night) 65.

Barometer—Minimum (over night) 65.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

December 2nd.

HONGKONG AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000.

AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000.

SHANGHAI AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000.

NANKIN AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000.

YOKOHAMA AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000.

SWATOW, AMOY, & FUCHOW AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000.

YOKOHAMA, SWATOW, AMOY, & FUCHOW AMER. 30.0000. 10.0000

## EXTRACTS.

## A FAREWELL.

(TO THE AUSTRALIAN CHICKENS).  
Good-bye! You are off to your dry arid south.  
From the premature fog of our watery west,  
Leaving traces of your prowess in everyone's mouth,  
Good-bye! Here's your health in a bowl of the best.  
We must pack up our willows, our wickets must draw,  
For one can't play the game, in a mist in a bog;  
Vain the hot-skill of Grace, or the balf-sight of Shaw,  
"Guita the dolorous rule," King Fog.

But you—all the taste of our winter you'll get!  
Is the rich, tordo twang at the Mission House feed,  
We must make a bad nest of our room and our wits,  
Yet to sunshine and spring take your skill and its  
meat.

You have taken the shine out of some of our lights,  
And when we strolled played up with invincible pluck;

"Woo" or "honours divided" some most of your  
ights."

So bon voyage, my boys, and good luck!

Punch.

REMARKABLE HAILSTORM.

A singular hailstorm was experienced at Rotheford and Saint Jean D'Angely on Aug. 20th. A correspondent of *La Nature* says:

Two hailstones weighing as much as mineral

as 500 and 450 grammes respectively, were

picked up. Another found stones weighing

220 grammes several minutes after their fall.

A projectile near Echilles had 9 geese and

28 fowls killed; hares and game of all sorts

were found dead; a very young foal was

killed; two children were severely injured;

"There's mony a slip 'twix the cup

and the lip, my laddy!"

"Go, put on your best coat; the boy's wait-

ing in the drawing-room—and has brought

his puppines with him, as usual," answered

Lady Selina, starting again, in a brisk,

impudent manner not uncommon to her.

Then she added dry:—"He hasn't got any

money, but he's sure to catch something in

the Whigs come in; beside, his mother, the

Dowager, is about the Court, so we shall have

no more trouble regarding invitations in that

quarter. Other people are only too glad to

follow the Queen's lead."

If the Montresors had held their heads

high in former days, they certainly did not

lose less consequence after they had an

authentic Duke for a son-in-law. The mis-

chief was, however, that with all their in-

creased importance they were, not a penny

the richer. Only Lady Selina kept her superb

tranquillity of demeanour under these circum-

stances. She knew that she had several

things on hand which never want for favour.

Connection with two noble families of con-

siderable rank, and have presented a most attractive

appearance. Many visitors, including a few practical men, have seen them, and a

very considerable proportion have jumped at

the conclusion that the plants were in pots

and plunged in the border. To convince

them that they were planted out and had occu-

ped the same position for some years has

not been particularly easy, so strong is the

belief that the African lily is too tender

to bear the cold of such severe winters as the

two last. I have nothing to say against the

Agapanthus being grown in pots for the decora-

tion of conservatory balconies, front

halls, and terraces; but I would strongly

urge its more extended culture out of doors,

for it blooms at a season of the year when the

number of really hardy herbaceous

plants in flower is not particularly large; and

strong clumps produce an effect as striking

as that would be hardly possible to overrate.

A moderately rich and friable soil is the

most conducive to a vigorous growth, and if

well-drained it will be an advantage; although

an abundance of water is of great assistance during the growing season, stagnation

about the roots is anything but

good for them. When once planted out they

are well able to take care of themselves, al-

though the labour involved in giving them

periods of dry weather in the summer is not

unpleasant.—J. E. S., in *The Gardener's*

Magazine.

## MR. BRIGHT'S DEFEAT AT MANCHESTER.

There was something peculiarly painful in the circumstances of Mr. Bright's defeat at Manchester. Mr. Bright was suffering from severe illness. In the opinion of many of his friends his health was thoroughly broken.

He had worked in public life with a generous disregard of his physical resources, and he was compelled to leave the country and seek rest first in Italy, and afterwards in Algeria. It was not a time when even political enemies could, with a good grace, have ventured to visit him on the supposed offences of his party. But the "insolent barbarian" passed over him too. He sent home from Florence a farewell address to the electors of Manchester, which was full of quiet dignity. "I have esteemed it a high honour," thus ran one passage of the address, "to be one of your representatives, and have given more of mental and physical labour to your service than is just to myself. I feel it scarcely less an honour to suffer in the cause of peace, and on behalf of what I believe to be the true interests of my country, though I could not have wished that the blow had come from other hands at a time when I could have met face to face those who dealt it." Not long after, Mr. Cobden, one of the least continental and the most unaffected of men, speaking in the Manchester Free-trade Hall of the circumstances of Mr. Bright's rejection from Manchester, and the heart-breaking address which he had written, said:—

"A History of Our Own Times," by Justin McCarthy, M.P.

## QUEER STORIES.

## A RICH HUSBAND.

Any Montresor was one of the most beautiful girls in England, which is saying a great deal; but it was not saying too much, some fifteen years ago. She was, however, the younger son of an impoverished house,

and Tom Eve, who knows everything, says that the night before Cyril sailed, for Australia, he called at the Montresors', and met Cyril coming out with a face as white as death.

"Neither Sir Andrew nor her father," said Cyril, "were at home." "The footman said, though there were lights in the drawing-room; and when we went away, Tom saw from an upper window another face, very pale also, gazing with haggard eyes after the retreating figure of Courtney till it was lost to sight.

Likewise, one who shall be nameless, being at a theatre some fourteen years after these events, saw Cyril. Lady Bumbleton was the finest girl upon the grand tier, and he seemed to have made up his mind to the worst, and grew calmer. Nevertheless, there was a fresh mortgage on his estate of Craigielands, however now and then, that the honest gentleman could not disingue from himself the unpleasant truth that he was getting poorer and poorer.

Among other things, too, he had seen a Guardian, and often now, as he sat down to his family fare, in the house which was always hired for the London season, the ex-

lieutenant regretted, the palace dinners, and the pleasant table which was laid out for him when on duty at the Bank of England. His Scotch lord's fortune—he really had a little

over two thousand a year—seemed to have no end of spending in it when he was a bachelor; now it had none at all. When the milliners and dressmakers, and the job manuturists, and the London house-agents were all paid, there was seldom enough left in his pocket to swear by. Yet he did swear some-what loud.

Lady Selina, his wife, was a very different

## ALONG THE MUSQUASH RIVER.

Moral America is not all hideous, half comical indifference about the future which belongs to her caste. She knew as well as thought it had been printed in her Prayer-book as a supplement to the Decalogue, that a noble British personage never can be ruined down to the point of personal inconvenience; and if Sir Andrew grumbled a little when the season was over, why she had no doubt that grumbling was good for his health. At all events, she knew perfectly well what she was about, and should take her own course, whatever happened. Indeed, nothing ever did happen to people in society, unless they were told.

Accordingly, one morning as Sir Andrew was boggling over his steward's accounts, Lady Selina disclosed in the room in her high-bred way, and said: "Well, there's one of them off our hands, that's some comfort."

"One of the fairies, my lad, d'ye mean?" screamed Sir Andrew in a shrill voice.

"Faith, there will be twa before the year is out." He always broke forth into broad Scotch when suddenly disturbed or ruffled.

"No; what do I know about you farms?" replied her ladyship with a good-humoured snort, which sounded part kindly, part pitiful.

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